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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
ERNEST YIU CHEONG WAN) Examiner: Jeffrey R. Swearingen
Application No.: 09/662,705) Group Art Unit: 2145
Filed: September 15, 2000) Confirmation No. 1732
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
 ADDRESSING AUDIO-VISUAL)
 CONTENT FRAGMENTS) July 9, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE
AND
STATEMENT SUMMARIZING INTERVIEW

Sir:

This is a response to a requirement entered by the Notice of Allowability dated June 12, 2008. According to this requirement, both the Drawings and the Specification were objected to because of the presence of hyperlinks and/or browser-executable code, and a requirement was made to delete them.

This requirement was discussed with the Examiner during a telephone interview conducted with Applicant's representative on July 2, 2008. During the interview, Applicant's representative informed the Examiner that Applicant does not intend

to have the hyperlinks in the Drawings and in the Specification be active hyperlinks, and directed the Examiner's attention to MPEP § 608.01, which states the following:

"Where the hyperlinks and/or other forms of browser-executable codes themselves rather than the contents of the site to which the hyperlinks are directed are part of applicant's invention and it is necessary to have them included in the patent application in order to comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, and applicant does not intend to have these hyperlinks be active links, examiners should not object to these hyperlinks. The Office will disable these hyperlinks when preparing the text to be loaded onto the USPTO web database."

In response, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the objections, and to instruct the printer to disable any hyperlinks when preparing text for loading onto the USPTO web database.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections are respectfully requested.

This Response is a response to the objections first received in the Notice of Allowability, and Applicant has never before been presented with an opportunity to respond to such objection. Therefore the submission of this Response is not believed to be a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of this application. Accordingly, Applicant should not be penalized for patent term adjustment.

See MPEP § 2732, page 2700-21.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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